



USS Bulkeley (DDG 84)

To the Beach, and Beyond!

USS Bulkeley (DDG 84) is the 34th Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer and the first ship in the Navy named after Vice Adm. John Duncan Bulkeley. This fast warship provides multi-mission offensive and defensive capabilities, and can operate independently or as part of carrier battle groups, surface action groups, amphibious ready groups, and underway replenishment groups.

Guided missile destroyers, like *Bulkeley*, are multi-mission [Anti-Air Warfare (AAW), Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW), and Anti-Surface Warfare (ASUW)] surface combatants. The addition of the Mk-41 Vertical Launch System (VLS) to the destroyer armament has greatly expanded the role of the destroyer in strike warfare.

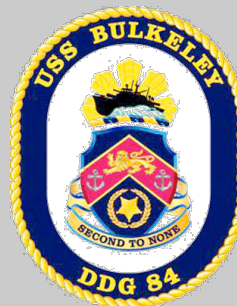
USS *Bulkeley* is named in honor of the late Navy Vice Adm. John Duncan Bulkeley, (1911-1996). Bulkeley was the recipient of the Medal of Honor, Navy Cross, and numerous other decorations for heroic actions during World War II. While in command of Motor Torpedo Boat (MTB) Squadrons Three and Seven during the defense of the Philippines, Bulkeley evacuated Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur and President Quezon of the Philippines, and destroyed several Japanese planes, surface combatants, and merchant ships. As commander, MTB Squadron 102, he supported the Normandy and Southern France invasions.

Bulkeley's shield, reflecting the power of the Aegis Weapons System, is navy blue and gold, the colors traditionally associated with the U.S. Navy, and symbolizes the sea and excellence. The inverted star at the base of the shield recalls the Medal of Honor presented to Adm. Bulkeley by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt for his dynamic forcefulness and daring during the defense of the Philippines. The gold laurel wreath represents honor and high achievement, the hallmarks of *USS Bulkeley*. The red chevron, from the family coat of arms, is emblematic of the valor and sacrifice displayed by Adm. Bulkeley while leading a flotilla of PT boats and minesweepers along Utah Beach before assault troops stormed ashore at Normandy. The lion alludes to the heritage of Normandy and embodies courage and strength. Silver anchors flanking the lion reflect the devotion and commitment of U.S. Navy sailors defending freedom and keeping *USS Bulkeley* and the U.S. Navy "SECOND TO NONE."

The ship's crest, a World War II PT boat surrounded by the Philippine sun serves to honor Adm. Bulkeley's role in the Pacific including his daring rescue of General MacArthur and President Quezon of the Philippines from Corregidor.

USS Bulkeley (DDG 84) Facts

Ship's Crest:



Ship's Command

Commanding Officer: Cmdr. John T. Beaver, Jr., USN
Executive Officer: Lt Cmdr. Alexis Walker, USN
CMC: CMDMCM (SW/AW) Jeff Henry, USN

Ship's Motto

"Second to None"

Ship's Facts and Figures:

Home port:	Norfolk, Va.
Keel Laid:	May 10, 1999
Christened:	June 24, 2000
Commissioned:	December 8, 2001
Length:	509 ft
Beam:	68 ft
Displacement:	9,180 tons
Speed:	30+ knots

